

Wednesday Noon

12 M. to 2:30 P. M.

LEAGUE LUNCHEON

Given under the auspices of League for the Conservation of Public Health.
(Papers will be announced later)

Thursday Morning

9:00 A. M. to 12 M.

NEUROLOGICAL SECTION

Discussions will be given at the close of each morning and afternoon session rather than following the reading of each paper.

1. **FURTHER OBSERVATIONS ON EPILEPSY.**

MILTON B. LENNON,
San Francisco.

Factors in etiology of the symptoms of complex epilepsy; the relation between the number of fits and mental defect; the necessity of proper optimism on the part of the physician who treats epilepsy.

Discussion opened by

2. **COMBINED SYSTEM DISEASE (A CLINICAL AND PATHOLOGICAL STUDY OF FUNICULAR MYELITIS WITH A REPORT OF FIVE CASES WITH AUTOPSIES).**

G. Y. RUSK,
RICHARD W. HARVEY,
E. S. Du BRAY,
San Francisco.

- I. The historical growth of our knowledge of the subject.
- II. Etiological consideration, with a brief discussion of the role played by the various noxae and associated conditions.
- III. Pathogenesis with special reference to the neuropathology.
- IV. Case reports with autopsy protocols.
- V. The clinical picture with a discussion of the three chief types.
- VI. Differential diagnosis.
- VII. Summary with a plea for a wider recognition of this disease.

Illustrated by slides, charts, photographs and pathological material.

Discussion opened by

3. **MENINGITIC EPILEPSY, DIAGNOSIS AND RADICAL CURE.**

CECIL E. REYNOLDS,
Los Angeles.

Discussion opened by

4. **NEUROLOGICAL SYMPTOMS IN ONE THOUSAND GROUP STUDY CASES.**

THOMAS G. INMAN,
San Francisco.

Differences between "Group Study" and "Group Practice" defined. Types of cases examined. Neurological symptoms in the light of the complete examination. The question of multiple factors in the causation of neurological symptoms. Disturbances in function of the nervous system as first evidences of somatic pathology.

Discussion opened by

5. **TICS AND THEIR TREATMENT.**

THOMAS C. LITTLE,
San Diego.

Brief historical résumé, etiological foundation, the intelligence and general mental condition of the subject, course with its variations, final termination based upon the subject's constitutional state.

Discussion opened by

Book Reviews

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Edited by C. L. Mix. Vol. 3 of Practical Medicine Series for 1920. Chicago: Yearbook Publishers. 1920.

Eye. Examination of eye. Hygiene of eye. Eyelids. Conjunctiva. Lachrymal sac. Sclera and cornea. Uveal tract. Vitreous humor. Crystalline lens. Retina and optic nerve. Ocular muscles. Toxic amblyopia. Glaucoma. Tumors of eye. Eye symptoms in general disease. Ocular injuries. Military ophthalmology. Ophthalmis therapeutics. Ophthalmic instruments. Comparative ophthalmology.

Ear. Relation of otology and general medicine. Hearing and deafness. Middle ear. Sinuses. Internal ear. Miscellaneous ear conditions.

Nose and Throat. General considerations. Diseases of nose. Accessory sinuses. Ozena. Hay-fever. Esophagus and bronchi. Tonsils and adenoids. Larynx and trachea. Speech defects.

Massage and Exercise Combined. By Albrecht Jensen. 93 pp. Illustrated. New York. 1920.

That massage and exercises have beneficial results upon the healthy as well as upon certain diseased individuals is an axiom which requires no proof.

The "combined massage exercises," described in this book, are no exception to this rule. The book describes in detail and with many illustrations a series of exercises and massage combined, which when executed with proper deep breathing will hasten metabolism, increase circulation and favor elimination. This benefit lies in making the person who does them bring into action his joints, muscles and respiratory organs and in making him concentrate his attention on them. The supplement on the use of these exercises in disease is incomplete and unauthoritative. A. G.

Materia Medica For Nurses. By A. L. Muirhead. 183 pages. Illustrated. St. Louis: C. V. Mosby Company. 1919. Price, \$1.50.

This book impresses one favorably as a compendium, but not as a textbook—it is rather too superficial for that. It is a book for the graduate rather than for the nurse in training. It is an aid to memory rather than a guide to knowledge. To the graduate, however, it should prove invaluable for it describes drugs, actions, and does in a few words, makes the preparation of solutions very simple, reduces the various systems, weights and measures to their most simple forms and gives a great deal of useful information. The subject matter seems too condensed for the nurse in training who is expected to know a great deal more about the drugs she uses than she will find in the pages of this little book. M. A. C.

Pediatrics and Orthopedic Surgery. Edited by C. L. Mix. Vol. 4 of Practical Medicine Series for 1920. Chicago: Yearbook Publishers. 1920.

Pediatrics. The newborn. Infant feeding. Child welfare. Nutritional disturbances. Gastro-intestinal diseases. Rickets and scurvy. Tetany. Acute infectious diseases. Respiratory diseases. Heart diseases. Diseases of nervous system. Diseases of urinary organs. Diseases of ductless glands. Diseases of skin. The blood. Tuberculosis. Syphilis. Miscellaneous conditions.

Orthopedic Surgery. General conditions. Injuries and diseases of the spine. Upper extremity. Lower extremity. Bone surgery. Joints. Nerve injuries.

General Surgery. Edited by A. J. Oeschner. Vol. 2 of Practical Medicine Series for 1920. Chicago: Yearbook Publishers. 1920.

Anesthetics and analgesics. X-Ray-Radiotherapy. New Instruments. Asepsis and antiseptics. Infected

wounds and their treatment. Operative technic. Amputations. Wound healing and pathologic interventions. Shock. Tetanus. Malignant tumors. Blood vessels. Transfusion. Bones, Fractures. Joints. Nerves. Scalp and skull. Brain. Face and mouth. Neck. Thyroid. Mamma. Chest. Empyema. Pericardium and heart. Abdominal surgery. Peritoneum, mesentery and omentum. Stomach and duodenum. Intestinal surgery. Intestines. Veriform appendix. Rectum and anus. Hernia. Liver. Gall-Bladder and bile-ducts. Pancreatitis. Spleen. Kidney. Bladder. Spine and cord. Upper extremity. Lower extremity.

The Soul, or Rational Psychology. By Emanuel Swedenborg. Third and revised edition. The New Church Press, Inc., New York.

This is another one of the works of Emanuel Swedenborg and designed for those who have a thirst for knowledge of the unknown. In modern religion, of course, Swedenborg was the first man to bring out the philosophy of correspondence and symbolism, and while many existing religions at the same time decried his interpretation of biblical meaning, they have since adopted a great many of the ideas of Swedenborg. From a medical standpoint, it is extremely interesting to see how much real knowledge Swedenborg had. He seemed to be cognizant of all the anatomical and physiological facts of his age, and he has made these the basis of his metaphysical deductions. For one who can follow him they are a source of great consolation and certainly very few of the developments of the Christian religion can claim such a logical basis. However, one is reminded of the old Scotch preacher who said, "If a man speaks of something about which he knows very little, that is foolishness. If a man talks of something about which you know nothing, that is wisdom. If a man talks of something about which neither of you know anything, that is metaphysics." So, I am rather inclined to think that a great many of the writings of Swedenborg fall under the last classification.

S. P.

The Surgical Clinics of Chicago. Volume IV, Number V (June, 1920). Octavo of 223 pages, 45 illustrations. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company, 1920. Published bi-monthly. Price per year: Paper, \$12.00; Cloth, \$16.00 net.

E. Wylls and Edmund Andrews and C. L. Mix: "Dumping stomach" and other results of gastrojejunostomy. D. C. Strauss: Perinephritic abscess—tuberculosis of kidney—subcapsular nephrectomy. A. D. Bevan and L. C. Gatewood: Mesenteric fibroma. A. D. Bevan: Dislocation of patellae. G. L. McWhorter: Salpingitis with lateral lumbovertebral pain. R. J. Tivnen: Congenital cataract binocular complicated by large persistent thymus gland. Endothelioma of orbit. Extradural abscess. Kellogg Speed: Burns. Carl Beck: Suture of nerves and tendons of wrist. A. A. Strauss: Various methods of blood transfusion as most applicable in various ages. A. J. Ochsner: Rupture of gall-bladder into duodenum. D. N. Eisendrath: Infections of kidney. F. G. Dyas: Compound fracture of femur in child. Cholelithiasis with biliary fistula discharging at umbilicus. Tetanus following a contused and lacerated wound of leg. A. B. Kanavel: Hematuria. E. L. Moorhead: Chronic ulcer of leg treated by skin-grafting. Multiple tumors of thyroid. Chronic duodenal ulcer. G. E. Shambaugh: Bilateral destruction of labyrinth as sequel of chronic suppurative otitis media. Impairment of hearing due to fracture at base of skull. Cerebral nerve deafness. Aural vertigo due to degeneration of vestibular nerve without involvement of cochlea. E. L. Cornell: Caesarean section for placenta praevia. R. L. Moodie: Surgery and disease among the pre-Columbian Indians of North America.

Care and Feeding of Infants and Children. By Walter Reeve Ramsey. 2nd ed. Philadelphia: Lippincott, 1920.

This volume gave promise of fulfilling a long-felt need, that of a good medical text book for nurses, with the proper amount of emphasis laid on nursing procedures in the care and feeding of children. These phases are excellently dealt with in the first part of the book where many valuable suggestions are well brought out and emphasized, making it valuable aid in the training of good nurses.

The second half of the book, however, is neither a nurse's text book nor could it be of much help to the physician. Pathological entities are here described so vaguely that, were a nurse interested in diagnosing a medical case, she could find little in these pages to help her. For the same reason the work must fail as a physician's handbook, while at the same time the important problems of nursing as they occur in such diseases as scarlet fever, diphtheria, smallpox, eczema and bronchopneumonia are most inadequately dealt with.

It is the tendency of the modern nurse to assume unwarranted knowledge of those phases of medicine for which her training has but partially informed her and to overlook as uninteresting and perhaps as of only slight importance the exact nursing technique which is so essential a part of treatment.

The author has certainly taken advantage of the best way of teaching—that of using good illustrations. They are all very excellent, especially those illustrating formula making, and the methods of breast and bottle feeding.

M. M.

State Society

ANNUAL CONVENTION MEDICAL SOCIETY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CORONADO, CAL., MAY 10-11-12, 1921

The Southern Pacific Company will make reduced rates from points in California on Receipt Certificate Plan, namely, one and one-half fare subject to minimum attendance of 150 paying fare by rail on going trip of one dollar or more. The rates will apply to and from San Diego.

Sale dates on going trip will be May 7 to 11, inclusive, and returning May 11 to 14, inclusive.

Delegates should buy one-way tickets on going trip, and if all requirements as to minimum attendance have been complied with, the one-half fare will be granted returning. In notifying your members of these arrangements I suggest that you caution them to be sure and obtain receipt certificates when purchasing the going tickets.

It should be noted that the fares will apply to and from San Diego, i. e., members should buy their one-way tickets on the going trip to San Diego and obtain their return tickets at San Diego.

THE RECEIPT CERTIFICATES MUST BE LEFT AT THE REGISTRATION DESK OF THE MEDICAL SOCIETY IN THE HOTEL.

STATE SOCIETY, 1921

Important Notice—to Contributing Members of the Indemnity Defense Fund

Notes are now becoming due.

Do not let your membership lapse.

Each member will be informed a week in advance of the due date of his note.

County Societies

ALAMEDA COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Alameda County Medical Association was held at the Public Health Center, January 17, and the following interesting program, which had been prepared by Dr. E. N. Ewer, was presented:

1. Report of an unusual case of Ectopic Gestation, by Dr. Daniel Crosby.